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TO: All Prisons Staff
All HR Managers

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SUBJECT: Further COVID-19 testing options

For facility staff who are denied access due to developing COVID-19 symptoms, the agency will offer COVID-19 testing. This will ensure we receive information about COVID-19 activity among our staff quickly and efficiently.

To facilitate this, I am excited to announce that the agency is expanding its ability to offer COVID-19 Testing to these symptomatic staff members. Each facility will partner with their Serial Staff Testing team to develop a process for staff to choose either curbside testing at the facility or testing at an [outside COVID-19 testing site](#), if preferred.

Curbside testing at the facility offers convenience and safety for staff. Staff will be able to stay safely in their car, limiting the amount of exposure to others. They will be met by testing team members in appropriate PPE. This process will allow staff to access efficient testing resources in order to identify whether or not they are COVID-19 positive and will allow them to seek appropriate levels of care in a timely manner.

Each facility has different COVID-19 testing capacity and logistics depending on size, location, and staffing. Expect to see more information about this as your facility develops a streamlined process to offer curbside testing.

Thank you for your continued diligence during these challenging times. Please take care of yourselves, stay positive, and remember to follow these simple ways to help reduce and mitigate the spread of COVID-19: socially distance whenever possible, wear your face covering appropriately, and wash your hands.

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